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1947

RANDOLPH, N. H.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE TOWN OF

Randolph, N. H.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

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Selectmen, Treasurer, Road Agent, Trustees of Trust Funds, School Treasurer and Clerk

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Town Officers, 1947-48

Moderator
GORDON A. LOWE

Town Clerk
A. N. McCLINTOCK

Treasurer
V. D. LOWE

Selectmen
*KATHERINE A. WOOD BERNIE REED
GORDON A. LOWE JOHN H. BOOTHMAN
*Resigned

Board of Health
MORRISON REED LANSON STILES
RICHARD ANDREWS

Library Trustees
FLORENCE WOOD GORDON LOWE JOHN BOOTHMAN

Sextons
J. H. BOOTHMAN GEORGE DROWNS FREEMAN HOLDEN

Collector
CORA M. REED

Road Agent
FRED CORRIGAN

Auditors
MARY LOWE HERBERT RICHARDSON

Supervisors of Check List
LEON P. LOWE GLENN M. LOWE MILDRED B. FARRAR

Fence Viewer
JOHN H. BOOTHMAN, JR.

Dog Catcher
GORDON A. LOWE

State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Randolph in the County [L. S.] of Coos in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing, including one selectman for three years, two auditors, one road agent, one library trustee for three years, one trust fund trustee by ballot for three years.

2. To raise $1,000.00 to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation for the same.

3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to repair town highways and bridges, that is $200.00 for highways, $1,000.00 for snow removal, and make appropriation for the same.

4. To see if the town will vote to raise such sums of money as the State suggests to build Class V Roads, State to pay $43.42 and the town $10.86, and make appropriation for the same.

5. To see if the town will vote to raise $1,200.00 for street lights, and make appropriation for the same.

6. To see if the town will vote to raise $200.00 for the care of the cemetery and resetting memorial tablets, and make appropriation for the same.

7. To see if the town will vote to raise $200.00 for the support of town library and make appropriation for the same.

8. To see if the town will vote to raise $250.00 for police patrol and to protect our property against theft, for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for the same.

9. To see if the town will vote to raise $3,500.00 to assist town poor, and make appropriation for the same.

10. To see if the town will vote to raise $200.00 for repairs and expenses of the Town Hall and make appropriation for the same.

11. To raise $2,720.64 to pay county tax and make appropriation for the same.

12. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money not to exceed $100.00 to advertise the scenic beauty and accessibility of the Presidential Highway, which includes $56.55 for the White Mountains Region Association.

13. To see if the town will vote to appropriate $50.00 to repair and maintain the camp on Mt. Adams known as Gray Knob Cabin, under supervision of the U. S. Forest Service.

14. To see if the town will vote to share the expense of a caretaker for Gray Knob, with the R.M.C. at Crag Camp, and appropriate a sum not to exceed $100.00 for the purpose.

15. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money not to exceed $50.00 for a suitable place for dumping garbage.

18. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money not to exceed $700.00 for removing garbage twice a month during the winter, and three times a week during the summer.

19. To elect by ballot one person to go to Constitutional Convention at Concord, N. H., May 12, 1948.

20. To see if the town will vote to allow 2% discount on all taxes paid before August 1, and 1% on all taxes paid before October 1.

21. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to offer a reward not to exceed $500.00 to be paid to any person or persons who may give evidence leading to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons breaking and entering into unoccupied buildings in Randolph.

22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to issue necessary temporary notes in anticipation of 1948 taxes.

23. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to use unexpended appropriations at their discretion.

24. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 24th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

BERNIE H. REED,
GORDON A. LOWE,
JOHN H. BOOTHMAN,
Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

BERNIE H. REED,
GORDON A. LOWE,
JOHN H. BOOTHMAN,
Selectmen of Randolph.

Report of Selectmen

To the citizens of Randolph:

It has been our aim this year to improve our Annual Reports to make it more interesting and readable. We hope that we have succeeded in some measure to come near this goal.

First, we have endeavored to make the cover of our report more attractive by using a photograph of our Town Sign. We feel justly proud of these signs designed several years ago by Leroy Woodward, at that time a resident of Randolph. This cut was made from Winston Pote's photograph with Mts. Adams, Jefferson and Washington in the background. These signs are located at the four highway entrances to Randolph.

The town owns and maintains, under the supervision of the National Forest Service, Gray Knob Cabin. This cabin is located on the north slope of Mt. Adams at an elevation of approximately 4,400 ft., which places it only slightly below timberline. Because of its scenic location and proximity to tree line it is very popular with trampers of the Northern Peaks.

Years ago the cabin was built by C. C. Stearns and the Hincks family, summer residents of Randolph, on land leased from the Government. When their lease expired the Forest Service had a new ruling, "no camp or shelter could be maintained by a private individual on Government land." There were only two alternatives, the building would be destroyed or some public organization could take over. Since the cabin was quite popular with many of our summer residents and visitors it was voted at the 1939 Town Meeting that Randolph should assume the responsibility of this camp.

To date the cost of maintenance has been very little. Each year $50.00 has been appropriated and seldom has this amount been used. This past year a total of $27.60 was spent on the cabin. A new stove and the transportation of the same accounted for the greatest part of this amount.

It is hoped that this spring competent labor will be available to effect needed repairs which have been neglected during the war years.

While we are still on the mountain it would seem a good time to discuss last year's affiliation with the Randolph Mountain Club. The R.M.C. is to Crag Camp as the Town of Randolph is to Gray Knob. Crag Camp is located one-half mile east of Gray Knob and at about the same elevation.

Because of the ever increasing number of mountain climbers making use of these two camps it became necessary to employ a caretaker during the rush months of the summer. Since these camps are comparatively small it did not seem good business for both the R.M.C. and Randolph to hire separate caretakers when one man could easily handle the two. Consequently it was voted at the 1947 Town Meeting for the town to pay half the expenses of a caretaker for both camps and $200.00 was appropriated for the purpose.

Due to the fine management and selection of personnel by Mrs. Hilles, who heads the Crag Camp committee of the R.M.C., the town's share of this expense was less than half of what was expected. Cost to the town on this venture was $71.88. Since this arrangement seems to have proven satisfactory to all parties concerned it is hoped it may be carried on in the future.

The question might well be asked, "Why should the town of Randolph be so interested in these two camps when at first glance they seem far removed from town activities." To this there is a good answer. Randolph has developed into a Resort Town. There are well over 100 summer homes of people who have located here because of our favorable summer climate, natural scenic beauty, our mountains and their well kept trails and last but not least a low tax rate. Keeping our summer residents and visitors happy is, we believe, good business for the town.

You will note in the expenditures for 1947, $700.00 for the Town Map. We feel that this item warrants some explanation. This is a large scale map of our town made up in several sections. It has been compiled from previous maps and surveys including Brown Company maps and surveys by H. T. Woodward.

It should be brought to mind that up to this date the town has never owned a map of its own. Maps have been borrowed from the Brown Company and others to be used in determining town valuations, but no complete map of the town has been available. This map is complete with contour lines which will be of great assistance in determining accessibility to timberlands and lots. It is the endeavor of the Selectmen to keep this map up to date from year to year.

Our town contains some 36 square miles. If it had been necessary to start from scratch and make a complete survey, the cost of such a map would have run into thousands of dollars. We feel that we are now in possession of a fine map and at bargain prices.

It was voted last year to have garbage collection twice monthly during the winter as well as the usual three times weekly during the summer. This schedule has been carried out during the year and to our knowledge has been satisfactory to all.

A committee was appointed at the last Town Meeting to take charge of mounting the Honor Roll. A fine job was done and the Honor Roll is now mounted and lighted in front of the library. The committee is to be congratulated.

There was an article in our Town Warrant last year to sell the school house. This was voted down and instead it was voted to turn the building over for the use of the Veterans. The Veterans formed a club and except during the summer months they have met twice monthly.

Also the women have been holding all day meetings twice monthly this winter, with the County Agent coming from Lancaster once a month to give instructions on many useful home problems. These meetings have been well attended and greatly enjoyed as well as instructive.

Many social gatherings have been held with great success and money raised has been used for charitable purposes. In short, the Veterans' Club has become the center of social activities in the town during the winter months.

For many years our Town Reports have been published with little variation, a booklet consisting of facts and figures with little explanation. This is the first attempt to depart from the old form. We fully realize that there are many more possibilities of improving. It should be the duty of the Selectmen each succeeding year to exploit these possibilities to their fullest extent. We will appreciate all sincere suggestions for a better, more attractive, more comprehensive, more readable Town Report.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948, Compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year, 1947	Actual Revenue Previous Year, 1947	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year, 1948
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	$ 1,645.79	$ 2,230.10	$ 2,230.10
Railroad Tax	96.81	122.88	122.88
Savings Bank Tax	11.66	14.50	14.50
National Forest Reserve	460.79	350.66	350.66
Bounties	37.00	37.00	48.50
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
For Cement		9.40	
Dog Licenses	27.00	22.80	22.80
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	163.21	383.50	367.01
From Local Taxes Other than Property Taxes:			
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular @ $2.00	112.00	72.00	72.00
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes			1.00
TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES	$ 2,500.26	$ 3,142.84	$ 3,229.45
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES	12,354.85	9,586.70	12,696.35
TOTAL REVENUES	$ 14,855.11	$ 12,729.54	$ 15,925.80

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH, N. H.—Continued

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Year, 1947	Actual Expenditures Previous Year, 1947	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year, 1948
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries; Town Officers' Expenses	$ 1,000.00	$ 960.20	$ 1,000.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	200.00	62.60	200.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Dept., Police Patrol	250.00	251.25	250.00
Health:			
Sewer Maintenance—Dump	50.00	50.00	50.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance: Summer	200.00	44.97	200.00
Town Maintenance: Winter	1,000.00	685.90	1,000.00
Street Lighting	1,200.00	1,114.28	1,200.00
Advertising	100.00	56.55	100.00
Libraries:			
Libraries	200.00	39.50	200.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	3,000.00	2,691.16	3,500.00
Recreation:			
Gray Knob Cabin	50.00	27.60	50.00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH, N. H.—Continued

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Year, 1947	Actual Expenditures Previous Year, 1947	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year, 1948
Public Service Enterprises:			
Caretaker Gray Knob Cabin	200.00	77.60	100.00
Cemeteries	200.00	204.49	200.00
Garbage Removal	600.00	660.00	700.00
Highways and Bridges:			
State Aid Construction—Town's Share	10.42	208.88	10.86
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:			
County Taxes	2,720.64	2,720.64	2,720.64
Payments to School Districts	3,874.00	2,873.60	4,444.30
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ 14,855.11	$ 12,729.54	$ 15,925.80

Summary of Inventory of Town Property

Electric light line	$ 29,416.00
Real estate	456,660.00
Horses, 12	1,800.00
Cows, 10	750.00
Wood and pulp	48,248.00
Gas pumps, 4	295.00
Growing wood and timber	115,385.00
	$652,554.00

List of Appropriations

County tax	$ 2,720.64
School district	3,874.00
Town charges	1,000.00
Street lights	1,200.00
Highways and bridges	200.00
Snow removal	1,000.00
Class V road	10.42
Town poor	3,000.00
Library	200.00
Police patrol	250.00
Cemetery	200.00
Advertising	100.00
Repairs town hall	200.00
Garbage removal	600.00
Use of dump	50.00
Repairs Gray Knob Cabin	50.00
Town to share expense with R.M.C., Gray Knob and Crag Camp	200.00
Mounting Memorial Tablet	200.00
	$ 15,055.06

Less Credits:		
Interest and dividend tax	$ 2,230.10	
Railroad tax	122.88	
Savings bank tax	14.50	
Motor vehicles	367.01	
National Forest reserve	350.66	
		$ 3,085.15
		$ 11,969.81

Amount of Taxes and Rate

Total property tax	$ 12,072.24
Polls, 52	104.00
National Bank Stock tax	3.00
Total tax committed	$ 12,179.24

Rate of tax, $18.50 per thousand.

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

BERNIE REED,
GORDON A. LOWE,
JOHN H. BOOTHMAN,
Selectmen.
VYRON D. LOWE,
Treasurer.

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures, Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1947

	Appropriation	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
Town Officers' Salaries and Expenses	$ 1,000.00	$ 960.22	$ 39.78	$
Police Department	250.00	251.25		1.25
Town Hall	200.00	62.60	137.40	
Street Lights	1,200.00	1,114.58	85.42	
General Highway Expense	200.00	44.97	155.03	
Snow Removal	1,000.00	685.90	314.00	
Library	200.00	39.50	160.50	
Town Poor	3,000.00	2,691.16	308.84	
Cemetery	200.00	204.49		4.49
Advertising	100.00	56.55	43.45	
Fire		130.80		130.80
School	3,874.00	2,873.60	1,000.40	
Garbage	600.00	660.00		60.00
County Tax	2,720.64	2,720.64		
Health, Use of Dump	50.00	50.00		
Mounting Honor Roll	200.00	207.58		7.58
Lighting Honor Roll		13.83		13.83
Gray Knob Cabin	50.00	27.60	22.40	
Sharing with R.M.C. expense of care taker for Gray Knob and Crag Camp	200.00	77.08	122.92	
Class V Road	10.42	208.88		198.45
Howard Woodward, work on Town Map		700.00		700.00
	$ 15,055.06	$ 13,781.23	$ 2,390.22	$ 1,116.40
Unexpended Balance			$ 1,273.83	

Balance

ASSETS

Cash:		
In hands of treasurer	$	5,366.18
Accounts Due to the Town:		
Due from State: Bounties		48.50
Uncollected Taxes:		
(a) Levy of 1947		401.53
Total Assets	$	5,816.20
Grand Total	$	5,816.20

Surplus, December 31, 1946	$	2,500.20
Surplus, December 31, 1947		4,815.80
Decrease of Surplus		2,315.60

Sheet

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Due to School Districts:	
(b) Balance of Appropriation	$ 1,000.40
Total Liabilities	$ 1,000.40
Excess of assets over liabilities	4,815.80
Grand Total	$ 5,816.20

Receipts

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:		
From Local Taxes:		
Property taxes, current year	$ 11,519.61	
Poll taxes, current year, regular @ $2.00	72.00	
National Bank Stock taxes	1.00	
Total of current year's taxes collected and remitted		$ 11,592.61
Property taxes, previous years		435.86
Poll taxes, previous years, regular @ $2.00		26.00
Interest received on taxes		16.16
From State:		
Interest and dividend tax	2,230.10	
Railroad tax	122.88	
Savings bank tax	14.50	
National forest reserve	350.66	
Bounties	37.00	
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:		
Dog licenses	22.80	
Gordon Lowe, paid for cement	9.40	
From Town of Gorham	12.39	
Registration motor vehicles, 1946 permits	16.49	
Registration motor vehicles, 1947 permits	367.01	
		$ 3,183.23
		$ 15,253.86
Receipts Other than Current Revenue:		
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	$ 1,975.00	
Refunds, rebate from bank	10.00	
Withdrawals from savings bank	1,025.21	
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue		$ 3,010.21
Total Receipts from All Sources		$ 18,264.07
Cash on hand January 1, 1947		2,931.14
Grand Total		$ 21,195.21

Payments

Current Maintenance Expenses:		
General Government:		
Town officers' salaries	$ 703.25	
Town officers' expenses	256.97	
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	162.08	
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police department, including care of tramps, $2.00; police patrol	253.25	
Fire department, including forest fires	130.80	
Bounties	48.50	
Health:		
Collecting garbage	660.00	
Dump	50.00	
Vital statistics	2.50	
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Road Aid—Class V roads	208.88	
Town Maintenance—winter	685.90	
Street lighting	1,114.58	
General expenses of highway department	44.97	
Libraries:		
Libraries	39.50	
Public Welfare:		
Town poor	2,691.16	
Patriotic Purposes:		
Mounting Honor Roll	207.58	
Current for lighting honor roll	13.83	
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries	204.49	
Unclassified:		
Town map	700.00	
Advertising and regional associations	56.55	
		$ 8,234.79
Interest:		
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes		$ 25.00
Indebtedness:		
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	1,975.00	
Total indebtedness payments		1,975.00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
Taxes paid to county	$ 2,720.64	
Payments to school districts	2,873.60	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		$ 5,594.24
Total Payments for all Purposes		$ 15,829.03
Cash on hand December 31, 1947		5,366.18
Grand Total		$ 21,195.21

Schedule of Town Property

Description	Value
Town Hall, lands and buildings	$ 2,500.00
Furniture and equipment	300.00
Libraries, lands and buildings	2,000.00
Furniture and equipment	100.00
Coldbrook Falls Reservation	300.00
Schools, lands and buildings	2,000.00
Equipment	500.00
School bus	3,000.00
Gray Knob Cabin	500.00
Total	$ 11,200.00

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

BERNIE H. REED,
GORDON A. LOWE,
JOHN H. BOOTHMAN,
Selectmen.
VYRON D. LOWE,
Treasurer.

February 11, 1948.

Report of Town Clerk

Receipts

Auto permits for 1946	$ 16.49	
Auto permits for 1947	367.01	
Dog licenses for 1947 (less fees)	22.80	
Total receipts for 1947		$ 406.30

Payments

Paid to Town Treasurer	$ 406.30

Respectfully submitted,
A. N. McCLINTOCK,
Town Clerk.

Report of Tax Collector

Balance of 1946 tax	$ 484.06	
Polls not listed, 1	2.00	
Interest collected	16.16	
		$ 502.22
Paid to Town Treasurer:		
March 10, 1947	$ 127.25	
April 4, 1947	103.81	
August 11, 1947	45.78	
August 21, 1947	201.18	
	$ 478.02	
Abatements on 1946 tax	24.20	
		$ 502.22
Total property tax for 1947	$ 12,072.24	
Poll taxes	104.00	
Bank stock	3.00	
		$ 12,179.24
Polls not listed, 2	4.00	12,183.24
Paid to Town Treasurer:		
August 11, 1947	$ 6,395.83	
August 21, 1947	2,775.93	
September 12, 1947	895.71	
October 7, 1947	736.48	
October 31, 1947	151.70	
December 4, 1947	300.85	
December 30, 1947	336.31	
		$ 11,592.61
Discounts on 1947 taxes	$ 189.10	
Uncollected December 31, 1947	401.53	
		$ 590.63
		$ 12,183.24

Respectfully submitted,

CORA M. REED,

Tax Collector.

Report of Town Treasurer

Receipts

Cash on hand at beginning of year	$ 2,931.14	
Receipts for the year	18,264.07	
		$ 21,195.21

Payments

Town orders	$ 15,829.03	
Cash on hand January 1, 1948	5,366.18	
		$ 21,195.21

Respectfully submitted,

VYRON D. LOWE,

Treasurer.

Detail Statement of Receipts and Payments

Receipts

Taxes, 1946:		
March 11, 1947, from Cora M. Reed	$ 127.25	
April 4, 1947, from Cora M. Reed	103.81	
August 11, 1947, from Cora M. Reed	45.78	
August 21, 1947, from Cora M. Reed	201.18	
		$ 478.82
Taxes, 1947:		
August 11, 1947, from Cora M. Reed	$ 6,395.83	
August 21, 1947, from Cora M. Reed	2,775.93	
September 12, 1947, from Cora M. Reed	895.71	
October 7, 1947, from Cora M. Reed	736,28	
October 21, 1947, from Cora M. Reed	151.70	
December 4, 1947, from Cora M. Reed	300.85	
December 30, 1947, from Cora M. Reed	336.31	
		$ 11,592.61
1946 Auto permits from A. N. McClintock	$ 16.49	
1947 Auto permits from A. N. McClintock	367.01	
1947 Dog tax, from A. N. McClintock	22.80	
		$ 406.30
From State:		
Bounties for 1946	$ 37.00	
National Forest Reserve, 1947	350.66	
Distribution of taxes on interest and dividends	2,230.10	
Railroad tax	122.88	
Savings bank tax	14.50	
		$ 2,755.14
Withdrawn from savings bank		1,025.21
Loan note discounted in Berlin bank		1,975.00
Gordon A. Lowe, paid for cement		9.40
Rebate from bank		10.00
From Town of Gorham		*12.39
		$ 18,264.07

Cash on hand January 1, 1947	2,931.14
	$ 21,195.21

*This amount belongs to school and was returned to them since settling.

Summary of Receipts

Property and poll tax, 1946	$ 478.02	
Property and poll tax, 1947	11,592.61	
From State	2,755.14	
Automobile tax	383.50	
Dog tax, 1947	22.80	
Withdrawn from savings bank	1,025.21	
Loan (note) Berlin City National Bank	1,975.00	
From Gordon Lowe for cement	9.40	
Rebate from bank	10.00	
From Town of Gorham	12.39	
Cash on hand, January 1, 1947	2,931.14	
		$ 21,195.21

Payments

Current Maintenance Expense, General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries:		
Cora M. Reed, 1946 tax collector	$ 5.98	
Cora M. Reed, 1947 tax collector	147.27	
Katherine Wood, first selectman, one-half year	75.00	
Bernie Reed, first selectman, one-half year	75.00	
Gordon A. Lowe, second selectman	100.00	
John H. Boothman, third selectman	100.00	
V. D. Lowe, treasurer	75.00	
A. N. McClintock, clerk	100.00	
Leon P. Lowe, check list supervisor	5.00	
Glenn M. Lowe, check list supervisor	5.00	
Mildred B. Farrar, check list supervisor	5.00	
Norah Lowe, auditor 1946	5.00	
Edith Boothman, auditor 1946	5.00	
	$	703.25
Town Officers' Expenses:		
A. N. McClintock, postage	$ 4.00	
Wheeler & Clark, dog tags	5.23	
Smith & Town, annual reports (175)	133.30	
Smith & Town, envelopes	9.00	

Smith & Town, envelopes, No. 10	2.75	
N. H. Association of Assessors, 1947 dues	2.00	
Eastman & Co., tax book, warrants, check list	4.88	
Postage for sending out inventories, annual reports and letters	12.00	
Roy Hamlin, officers' bonds	45.00	
U. S. Auto and truck guide	4.50	
Thelma Murphy, list of real estate	7.09	
A. N. McClintock, auto permits, 1947	22.00	
Dues, Town Clerks Association	2.00	
Dues, N. H. Tax Collectors Association	2.00	
Bank charge	1.22	
	$	256.97
Town Hall:		
Electric lights	$ 7.60	
Paid Lee, tuning piano	5.00	
Paid George & Morse, fire insurance premium	50.00	
	$	62.60
Police Department:		
Smith & Town, calendars and warning notices	$ 23.25	
Glenn M. Lowe, patrol	228.00	
Glenn M. Lowe, care of tramp	2.00	
	$	253.25
Bounties, 97 porcupines @ 50c (see separate sheet)		48.50
Snow removal, plowing and snow fence, Fred Corrigan		685.90
General Expense of Highway:		
John H. Boothman, truck and labor	$ 42.72	
Fred Corrigan, for gravel	2.25	
	$	44.97
Public Service Co. of N. H., lights		1,114.58
Library:		
Glenn M. Lowe, work on flower beds	$ 8.00	
Katherine Wood, salary	31.50	
Work on mowing lawn included in cemetery mowing		
	$	39.50

Town poor		2,691.16
Health:		
Garbage removal, Morris Legassie		660.00
Use of dump, paid Fred Corrigan		50.00
Cemeteries:		
John H. Boothman, labor leveling up graves	$ 28.99	
Sharpening lawn mowers	7.00	
Lawrence and Wendall Lowe, on lawn	168.50	
		$ 204.49
County tax, J. Arthur Sullivan, treasurer		2,720.67
Advertising, White Mountains Region		56.55
Schools, paid A. N. McClintock, treasurer		2,873.60
Vital statistics, paid A. N. McClintock		2.50
Vital statistics, Almon Farrar $12.80		
Fire, Glenn Lowe 48.00		
Patrol during ban, Jack Boothman 60.00		
	120.80	
Paid Gorham, Ravine House fire	10.00	
		130.80
Paid Bank loan and interest		2,000.00
Mounting Honor Roll:		
Paid John Milner, labor	$ 23.70	
Paid Harlan Holt, labor	20.25	
Paid Richard Andrews, labor	2.50	
Paid Morrison Reed, labor	2.50	
Paid Glenn Lowe, labor	12.00	
Paid George Drowns, labor and truck	5.00	
Paid Joseph Laflamme, labor	60.00	
Paid Edward K. Whitcomb, labor and supplies	16.84	
Paid Armond Bellavance, electric time switch, Neon lighting	45.00	
Paid Morris Co., for cement	19.79	
		207.58
Lights for Honor Roll		13.83
Town map		700.00
Class V Roads:		
John H. Boothman, labor, men and truck	$ 96.46	
New Hampshire Sand and Gravel Co.	112.42	
		208.88

Gray Knob:

July 26, Paid Edward A. Martin, care taker for Crag Camp and Gray Knob, July, town's part or one-half wages	$ 22.50	
Aug. 8, town's half of board for July	14.53	
Aug. 8, Ryan's Hardware Store, for stove	12.00	
Aug. 22, paid Otis A. Pease for August same as July, care taker	22.50	
Aug. 22, repairs done at Gray Knob by Pease	9.60	
Paid for one-half food for man in August	12.35	
Paid to have stove carried to Gray Knob	6.00	
		99.48
		$ 15,829.03

Summary of Payments

County tax	$ 2,720.64	
School district	2,873.60	
Town poor	2,691.16	
Street lights	1,114.58	
Snow removal	685.90	
Town officers' salaries and expenses	960.22	
Garbage removal	660.00	
General highway expenses	44.97	
Dump	50.00	
Cemeteries	204.49	
Library	39.50	
Police	253.25	
Town hall and Gray Knob	162.08	
Advertising	56.55	
Bounties	48.50	
Vital statistics	2.50	
Fire	130.80	
Paid note and interest	2,000.00	
Mounting Honor Roll	207.58	
Lights for Honor Roll	13.83	
Town map	700.00	
Class V Roads	208.88	
		$ 15,829.03
Cash on hand December 31, 1947		5,366.18
		$ 21,195.21

Bounties on Porcupines for the Itemized Statement

37	Thomas Wentworth @ 50c	$ 18.50
12	William Worrell	6.00
6	V. D. Lowe	3.00
6	Morrison Reed	3.00
6	Kenneth Corrigan	3.00
6	Jack Boothman	3.00
5	Lanson Stiles	2.50
3	Degranier	1.50
2	Roy Andrews	1.00
2	Alvin Davis	1.00
2	Richard Bellrose	1.00
2	Abel Martin	1.00
2	Lary Lowe	1.00
1	Everett Ainsworth	.50
1	Freeman Holden	.50
1	Thomas Sheridan	.50
1	Glenn M. Lowe	.50
1	Norman Maker	.50
1	George Drowns	.50
97		$ 48.50

Report of Road Agent

Receipts

Appropriation by Town on snow removal		$ 1,000.00
Appropriation by Town on general expenses		200.00
		$ 1,200.00

Payments

Jan. 4, 1947, paid State Treasurer, 2 men and State equipment 4 hours on snow		$ 18.40
January, February and March, Corrigan's men and snow plow		243.00
March, Corrigan's men and bulldozer		225.00
March, taking care of snow fence, Corrigan's men and truck		25.50
November, Corrigan's men and truck, putting up snow fence		84.00
Ending December 31, Corrigan's men and equipment on snow		90.00
		$ 685.90
June and November, Boothman's man and truck, hauling gravel different driveways (entrances to)		42.72
9 loads gravel		2.25
		$ 44.97
Used for snow	$ 685.90	
Unexpended	314.10	
		$ 1,000.00
Used for general expenditures	$ 44.97	
Unexpended	155.03	
		$ 200.00

Respectfully submitted,
FRED CORRIGAN,
Road Agent.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS FOR THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH, N. H., ON DECEMBER 31, 1947

Date of Creation	Trust Funds Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Int.	Balance of Income on Hand at beginning of year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year
Dec. 31.....1909	James Gray Fund care of Cemetery Lot	Gorham Savings Bank, Gorham, N. H.	$ 50.00	1½%	$ 9.59	$ .86		$10.39
May 13.....1912	Mary E. Hodgdon Fund care of Cemetery Lot	Gorham Savings Bank, Gorham, N. H.	50.00	1½%	9.53	.86		10.39
June 22.....1925	Randolph Cemetery Fund care of Cemetery	Gorham Savings Bank, Gorham, N. H.	100.00	1½%	19.21	1.78		20.99
June 28.....1940	Herbert Hodgdon Fund care of Cemetery Lot	Gorham Savings Bank, Gorham, N. H.	25.00	1½%	7.77	.40		8.17
Aug. 1.....1945	A. N. McClintock Fund care of Cemetery Lot	Gorham Savings Bank, Gorham, N. H.	50.00	1½%	.86	.74		1.60
Feb. 7.....1947	Mary S. Johnson Fund care of cemetery Lot	Gorham Savings Bank, Gorham, N. H.	100.00	1½%		.87		.87

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

BERNIE REED, GORDON A. LOWE, JOHN H. BOOTHMAN, Trustees.

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

BERNIE REED,
GORDON A. LOWE,
JOHN H. BOOTHMAN,
Selectmen.

Report of Auditors

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

HERBERT R. RICHARDSON,
MARY A. LOWE,
Auditors.

January 18, 1948.

Report of Library Trustees

Receipts

Appropriated by the Town		$ 200.00

Payments

Glenn Lowe on grounds	$ 8.00	
Librarian's salary	31.50	
	$ 39.50	
Unexpended	160.50	
		$ 200.00

CERTIFICATE

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FLORENCE G. WOOD,
GORDON A. LOWE,
JOHN H. BOOTHMAN,
Trustees.

School Officers, 1947-48

For School Year July 1, 1946, to June 30, 1947

Moderator

GORDON A. LOWE

Clerk

A. N. McCLINTOCK

Treasurer

A. N. McCLINTOCK

Auditors

MARY LOWE

HERBERT RICHARDSON

School Board

BERNIE REED, Chairman	Term expires 1948
ALMON FARRAR	Term expires 1949
CORA REED	Term expires 1950

Superintendent of Schools

ALBERT P. KNIGHTLY

School Warrant

The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Randolph, N. H., qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 9th day of March, 1948, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.

6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.

8. To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payments of the statutory obligations of the District, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.

Given under our hands at said Randolph this 20th day of January, 1948.

BERNIE REED,
ALMON E. FARRAR,
CORA M. REED,
School Board.

Report of School Treasurer

Receipts

December 20, 1946, from Town Treasurer	$ 1,000.00
May 26, 1947, from Town Treasurer	1,700.00
June 10, 1947, from Gorham School District	250.00
Cash on hand July 1, 1946	645.38
Total Receipts	$ 3,595.38

Expenditures

Victory Tax:	
Collector of Internal Revenue, Portsmouth, N. H.	$ 10.56
Treasurer's Bond:	
Roy G. Hamlin, Gorham, N. H.	5.00
School Bus:	
Woodward & Gerrish, Berlin, N. H., insurance	130.72
Gordon A. Lowe, Randolph, N. H., chauffeur	683.84
Gordon A. Lowe, Randolph, N. H., gas, oil, repairs	392.90
Superintendent's Salary:	
F. Gordon Kimball, State Treasurer, Concord, N. H.	71.56
Per Capita Tax:	
F. Gordon Kimball, State Treasurer, Concord, N. H.	40.00
Service Charges:	
Berlin City National Bank, Berlin, N. H.	.34
Tuition:	
Lancaster School District, Lancaster, N. H.	85.00
Gorham School District, Gorham, N. H.	1,613.37
Officers' Salaries:	
Bernie H. Reed, Randolph, N. H.	8.00
Cora M. Reed, Randolph, N. H.	8.00
Almon E. Farrar, Randolph, N. H.	8.00
A. N. McClintock, Randolph, N. H.	15.00
Total expenditures	$ 3,072.29
Total receipts	3,595.38
Cash balance June 30, 1947	$ 523.09

Respectfully submitted,
A. N. McCLINTOCK,
Treasurer.

Financial Report

of the
Randolph School District
for the
Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1946, and Ending June 30, 1947

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from the official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Public Laws, 1926, Chapter 68:22 and upon forms presented by the State Tax Commission.

BERNIE REED,
ALMON E. FARRAR,
CORA M. REED,
School Board.

ALBERT P. KNIGHTLY,
Superintendent.

Receipts

1946-47

Receipts

Cash on hand, July 1, 1946	$ 645.38
Selectmen, appropriation, 1946-47	2,700.00
Other receipts	250.00
Total, Balance and Receipts	$ 3,595.38

Payments

Payments

Administration:		
Salary of district officers	$	39.00
Superintendent's excess salary		71.56
Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:		
Transportation of pupils		1,076.74
Payments of tuition		1,698.37
Fixed Charges:		
Tax for state wide supervision		40.00
Insurance and other fixed charges		146.62
Total Payments	$	3,072.29
Balance on hand, June 30, 1947		523.09
Grand Total	$	3,595.38

Detailed Statement of Expenditures 1946-47

1.	Salaries of District Officers	$ 8.00	
	Cora Reed, School Board salary 1946-47	8.00	
	Bernie Reed, School Board salary 1946-47	8.00	
	Almon Farrar, School Board salary 1946-47	8.00	
	A. N. McClintock, school treas., 1946-47	15.00	
			$ 39.00
2.	Superintendent's excess salary:		
	Treasurer, State of New Hampshire		$ 71.56
15.	Transportation of Pupils:		
	September, 1946—To Gordon A. Lowe		
	118.3 gals. gas.	$ 25.80	
	Greasing and change oil	3.00	
	1 oil filter cartridge	1.50	
	1 grease retainer and labor	3.00	
	5 hours' labor removing and installing seats	5.00	
	Bolts and nuts	.50	
	Cleaning and polishing bus	3.50	
			$ 42.30
	October, 1946—To Gordon A. Lowe		
	97.8 gals. gas	$ 21.33	
	Greasing and change oil	3.00	
	4 months' storage on bus July-October	32.00	
			$ 56.33
	November, 1946—To G. A. Lowe		
	106.9 gals. gas	$ 23.33	
	Greasing and change oil	3.00	
	11 lbs. gear oil	2.75	
	Oil filter cartridge	1.50	

1 gal. alcohol	1.00	
Labor on brakes	1.00	
		$ 32.58

December, 1946—To G. A. Lowe

98.4 gals. gas	$ 21.65	
1 qt. alcohol	.35	
2 gals. alcohol	3.50	
Greasing and change oil	3.00	
2 months' storage on bus, Nov.-Dec.	16.00	
		$ 44.50

January, 1947—To G. A. Lowe

125 gals. gas	$ 27.61	
1½ gals. alcohol	2.65	
2 thermostats	3.30	
Labor	1.00	
Exch. distributor	6.00	
Cleaning spark plugs	.50	
Greasing and change oil	3.00	
Light regulator	2.85	
Labor	.75	
		$ 47.66

February, 1947—To Gordon A. Lowe

100.4 gals gas	$ 22.10	
2 months' storage, Jan.-Feb.	16.00	
		$ 38.10

March, 1947—To G. A. Lowe

6 qts. oil	$ 2.10	
Greasing	1.25	
Oil filter cartridge	1.50	
138.3 gals. gas	31.47	
		$ 36.32

April, 1947—To G. A. Lowe

71.1 gals. gas	$ 16.36	
5 qts. oil	1.75	
Greasing	1.25	
		$ 19.36

	May, 1947—To G. A. Lowe		
	123.3 gals. gas	$ 28.38	
	6 qts. oil	2.10	
	Oil filter and greasing	2.70	
			$ 33.18
	June, 1947—To G. A. Lowe		
	45.9 gals. gas	$ 10.57	
	4 months' storage, March-June	32.00	
			$ 42.57
	Bus driver, G. A. Lowe	$ 683.84	
	Withholding tax	10.56	
	Insurance on bus	130.72	
			$ 825.12
16.	Payments of Tuition:		
	High School	$ 456.37	
	Elementary School	1,242.00	
			$ 1,698.37
19.	Tax for State Wide Supervision:		
	Treasurer, State of New Hampshire		$ 40.00
20.	Insurance and Other Fixed Charges:		
	Treasurer's bond	$ 5.00	
	Bank charge	.34	
			$ 5.34

Budget for 1948-49

(Compared with Budget of 1947-48 and Expenditures of 1946-47)

	Amount Spent 1946-47	Budget 1947-48	Proposed Budget 1948-49
Administration:			
Salaries of district officers	$ 39.00	$ 60.00	$ 59.00*
Superintendent's excess salary	71.56	72.00	153.30*
Truant officer and school census			3.00
Expenses of administration			25.00
Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:			
Transportation of pupils	1,076.74	1,500.00	1,650.00
Payments of tuition	1,698.37	2,200.00	2,500.00
Fixed Charges:			
Tax for state wide supervision	40.00	42.00	54.00*
Insurance and other fixed charges	146.62		
Totals	$3,072.29	$3,874.00	$4,444.30
Requested appropriation, March, 1948			$4,444.30

*The starred items are required by law to be raised as determined by the proper authorities. The district determines the salaries of the district officers. The Supervisory Union decides the district's share of the superintendent's salary. The State Treasurer reports the amount of the per capita tax.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Liv. or Stillb'n	Color	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	Residence
Sept. 7	Eric Richard Andrews	m	L	w	Richard L. Andrews	Bethel, Maine	Ry. Shop Foreman	Randolph, N. H.
					Asalene A. Wood	Pearl River, La.		Randolph, N. H.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at time of Marriage	Age of Each	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of each	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
Aug. 25, 1947	Randolph, N. H.	Norris Lowell Tibbets, Jr.	Allentown, Pa.	25	Teacher	Boston, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.	Douglas Horton
							New York City	Minister
		Alice May Horton	New York City	23	Student	Middletown, Conn.	Brooklyn, N.Y.	Randolph, N. H
							Glastonbury, Conn.	
Sept. 6, 1947	Randolph, N. H.	Robert Lansing Edwards	Rye, N. Y.	32	Theo. Student	Auburn, N. Y.	St. Paul, Minn.	Deane Edwards
							Watertown, N. Y.	Minister
		Sarah Clapp Alexander	Scarsdale, N. Y.	26	Theo. Student	New York City	E. Orange, N. J.	Rye, N. Y.
							Pawtucket, R. I.	

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RANDOLPH, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Sex	Color	Condition	Occupation	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents
		Years	Months	Days							
Feb. 23	William Charles Coulter	62	6	15	Nova Scotia	m	w	m	Laborer	Charles Coulter Hazel Coulter	Nova Scotia Nova Scotia
October 13	Sarah May Simonds	75		25	Clifton, Maine	f	w	w		John Gilpatrick Mary Chick	Maine Maine

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief. A. N. McCLINTOCK, Town Clerk.

FOREST FIRE PROBLEM SERIOUS

The year 1947 was one of the worst periods of drouth and forest fire occurrence in eastern United States history. Lack of water ruined crops, lowered water levels and dried up brooks everywhere. Three months of deficient rainfall and abnormally high temperatures resulted in many fires which were mostly well controlled and kept within bounds. Only the high winds beginning on October 23rd caused a few fires to escape beyond immediate control. These few fires resulted in burning some 15,000 acres and the loss of 63 or more buildings in four New Hampshire towns.

All October fires were costly. They burned deeply in the ground and required day and night patrol of large crews of men until the rains came late in October. Towns which escaped from serious fires might easily have been in the midst of the most serious conflagrations we had.

Governor Dale closed the woods effective at midnight of October 15th. With the blow-up of October 23rd, a second proclamation closed all back roads and authorized towns to inaugurate patrol. The effect of this was to cut down subsequent fires for the rest of the dry period.

Local fire warden forces performed an admirable job to hold the more than 200 fires that occurred during this October period. Many men were taxed to the utmost as the emergency continued. To them and to all those who did their work, the people of New Hampshire owe a debt of gratitude. The state forest fire control agency based on local town wardens and town crews wherever adequately equipped rose to the occasion and met the test in whatever town their services were needed.

It is now time to take stock everywhere of our fire fighting facilities for the season ahead and to make them adequate where necessary. To this end town fire plans and training programs for wardens, deputies and other key men in each district are being arranged or in progress. If equipment and tools are insufficient properly to equip available man power in each community with the right tools for the job, they should be provided for at once. The yearly addition of fire tools to the town supply will generally need to be built up. The state sells tools to the towns and shares one-half their cost. Good equipment is important and can help greatly to keep both damage and fire costs at a minimum.

For many years we have requested our wardens not to issue burning permits except on rainy days. This regulation will be in effect again this year as it is one of the best means of assuring such fires from getting out of control. Nine out of every ten fires can be prevented, 98 percent of all fires being due to human carelessness. Be sure to get a permit for any fire in or near woodland when the ground is free from snow. Be sure your fires are always out before you leave them. Help us in getting the travelling public to keep from throwing out lighted matches or cigarettes. Be careful of all fires in or near woodland.

EMMETT BUCKLEY,
District Chief.

1947 Fire Record

Number of Fires—0.

Acreage Burned—0.

Number of Fire Permits Issued—7.

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